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LULL IN GREAT BATTLE; ARCHBISHOP LANG **BOTH SIDES PREPARING** FOR A NEW OFFENSIVE

Germans Bringing Up Heavy Artillery and Massing Troops for Another Gigantic Drive Against Amiens.

FOCH MAKES READY TO MEET BLOW AND IF POSSIBLE COUNTER ATTACK

Hundred Thousand American Troops Moving Forward to Battle Line-Allies Regain Some Lost Ground and Beat Off German Attacks.

BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, April 2.-The British stormed strongly held German positions in a wood along the Luce river yesterday. When the enemy withdrew after sharp fighting he left the ground strewn with

LONDON, April 2.- The general situation at the moment, as described by Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters, is that the main movement of fresh enemy troops and others that are moderately fresh continues to be toward the zone between the Somme and Montdidier. North of the Somme the British have succeeded in stbailizing the line-at any rate, for the time being.

The Germans shelled the wood heavily after it was occupied by the British and organized two counter attacks for the purpose of retaking it. Both were caught in the British artillery

Infantry operations on a large scale on the Picardy battlefield have died down, while both sides prepare for the next move in the great conflict. Vicious local fighting has occurred between Albert and Montdidier, but the Germans have been checked in all attempts to advance toward Amiens, while the Franco-British troops have made small gains between the Somme and Demiun.

GERMANS WAITING ON HEAVY GUNS.

In the days of desperate and sanguinary fighting since they launched their attacks on the line before Cambrai, St. Quentin and La Fere the German command apparently has learned that massed infantry attacks without great artillery preparation are fruitless and

The German artillery fire is reported to be weak, indicating that the enemy has not yet been able to move his big guns across the barren region between St. Quentin and Albert.

SEVENTY-SEVEN HUN DIVISIONS READY

for the guns before attempting another gigantic effort to reach Amiens. North of the Somme there are forty divisions, while thirtyseven are on the line between the Somme and Chauny. And it is known that the German guns have not all been moved forward.

Meanwhile the allied armies, under Gen. Foch, are making ready not only to counter another German blow, which the enemy must make or concede defeat, but probably also for a counter offensive.

American troops not unlikely will participate in the approaching renewal of heavy fighting along most of the line, as more than 100,000 are moving toward the battle lines. Some unseasoned American units will be placed side by side with hardened British and French vet-

Massing Troops Before Albert.

The Germans are reported to be mass ing troops before Albert, where their Monday. The British command looks for heavy German efforts north of the has most of his fighting forces, but where there has been no marked activity since the repulse at Arras Thursday. Except for the activity at Albert the

Today's official reports on the situation

Today's official reports on the situation along the great battle front revealed conditions virtually unchanged. Yesterday's dispatch from Gen. Pershing, in which it was noted that both sides were digging in between Montdidier and Noyon, made it seem probable that the lull would continue in this sector at least, and apparently there is little more activity on the line north from Montdidier and along the seem probable that the lull would continue in this sector at least, and apparently there is little more activity on the line north from Montdidler and along the British front.

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Considerable and ease in the violence of the artillery fire at some points is announced, which was to have been expected as the opposing armies were increasingly able to get their larger guns into position.

Paris has been subjected not only to

fighting has been confined to the line between the Somme and Montdidier.

Allies Regain Some Ground.

The allied troops have reclaimed some ground between the Somme and Bemiun, while between Hangard and Moreuit heavy German attacks were beaten of with loss. German attempts against the loss and loss against the loss and loss against the loss. German attempts against the loss and loss and

FRENCH AND BRITISH GAINS. RESULT OF LOCAL FIGHTING

PARIS, April 2.-French and British guns and prisoners. A German counter troops advanced last night between the attack was repulsed. cially. Over most of the front, between the Somme and the Oise, the night was day in the area between the Avre and relatively calm. Heavy artillery fighting the Luce rivers we captured fifty prismme and the Oise, the night was occurred at some points.

"The night was relatively calm on th The artillery fighting became rather heavy, attempted by the enemy later in the

co-British troops made some prog ess during the night between the Son

Prisoners Taken by British.
CONDON, April 2.—in the sector be-British took numerous pris-e war office announces. Thir-

successful attack, capturing machine The statement follows:

"In the course of the fighting yester oners and thirteen machine guns. "A large number of German dead

were found on the ground in this loday were broken up with heavy loss by tion in this area was successfully en-

"A successful local enterprise carried out by us in the neighborhood of Hebuterne resulted in the capture of seventy-three prisoners and three machine guns. Many Germans were killed in this operation also and a hostile counter attack during the afternoon was completely repulsed.

"On the remainder of the front successful raids, in which we secured several prisoners and killed a number of the enemy, were carried oht in the

CITES PROBLEMS **WORLD MUST FACE**

Prelate Foresees Closer Union of English-Speaking Peoples Following the War.

TIES BINDING AMERICA TO "OLD WORLD NATION"

Distinguished Churchmen Hear Primate's Address at Annual Meeting of Cathedral Association.

Prays for Allied Victory.

A prayer for victory of the alous peace" and for the men "defending the cause of truth and om in the awful battle being waged across the seas' was delivered today in the Senate, opening its session, by the Rt. Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of York. An impressive invocawith the Lord's prayer, in which senators and spectators joined.

Pointing to new problems that state spoke at the annual meeting of the Whitby Hall, on the cathedral grounds. Bishop Harding introduced the Archdor to France: Charles J. Bell, Rear Admiral Charles H. Stockton and Dr

In the audience were distinguished rominent laymen of the church.

Union of English-Speaking Peoples. The archbishop said he could foresee ples on both sides of the ocean would

of France."

The archbishop said his benediction was upon the association which is building the cathedral. "Music, and Worship, and Art." "The very fact that the cathedral can of be built in a single generation, in not be built in a single generation, nation which of necessity is hurried, token of the need of a cathedral w

token of the need of a cathedral which shall comprise the great traditions of music and worship and art." The archbishop this afternoon was to accompany Earl Reading and a party to Mount Vernon to lay a wreath on the tomb of Washington. Tomorrow he will go to Baltimore, thence to Pittsburgh, and from there to Canada.

Archbishop of York Prays in Senate for Blessing of God on Allied Nations

The Archbishop of York, primate of opening of the session of the Senate oday, calling down the blessing of God upon the armies of the United States and the allies, upon the President of the United States and Congress and the rulers of the allied nations, in The senators, impressed with th occasion, listened with reverence to his words and joined with the dis-

Lord's Prayer.

After the work of the Senate had begun, Senator Saulsbury, president pro tempore, took his stand beside the archbishop in the rear of the chamber and introduced the senators to him.

Clad in his knee breeches, the archbishop was an unusual as well as a distinguished figure in the Senate today.

tinguished churchman in reciting the

BUENOS AIRES, April 2.—Dr. Ado Davila, chief political editor of La Pre



EARLY BALLOTING IN **WISCONSIN HEAVY**

All Three Candidates for Senatorship Claim Victory, Berger Counts on German Vote.

voting in the special senatorial election in Wisconsin, which is to determine who death of Senator Paul Husting, was un usually heavy. In the cities the pollcenters where heaviest voting had been

purpose, with this great capital as the center."

For this reason, the archbishop stated, "if anywhere in the world an outstanding witness is needed for Christ it is in Washington."

Duty of Churchmen.

Referring at one point to the duties that devolved upon churchmen during the way he stated: "You have a great that the center of Lake Michigan to elect him.

meeting at Baraboo and then caught a sum of the extending the strength is vote. Mr. Davies spoke in this city.

Democratic leaders claim that the center of the center of the extending the way the stated and then caught a spur track across ist street east between L and M streets believed the supply depot of the Army.

SAYS GERMAN SPIES

Socialist Mayor Strongly Opposed

The gossip which practically conceded the Milwaukee municipal election to Mayor Daniel W. Hoan, socialist of Percy M. Braman, republican, the non-partisan mayoralty candidate, for 'easy Hoan money."

It was said that had Hoan not subscribed to the socialist platform he would have been elected practically without opposition, as his administration has been satisfactory to all parties, but Braman made a telling drive against his alignment with the Berger element, and the early heavy vote was said to indicate that the voters were placing country above city

CAMP CUSTER, Mich., April 2.— Seven voting booths at Camp Custer cantonment were opened this forenoon, so Wisconsin soldiers could cast their ballots for United States senator. There are about 2,200 soldiers eligible to The ballots will be taken to Madison where they will be taken to Madison, where they will be counted. The voting is under the supervision of a special election board composed of four prominent Wisconsin citizens.

ONLY DESULTORY FIGHTING ALONG THE ITALIAN FRONT

ROME, April 1.-"On the Asiago platea and the lower Piave there was patrol acwere desultory actions along the

rest of the front.

"In Albania, on the night of March 30-31, the enemy attempted a raid against our bridgehead in the Ciflik district, but failed completely, being repulsed with VIENNA, via London, April 1.—On the lower Piave, in the Asiago region and in the Laghi basis Italian reconnoitering

STEAMER MONT BLANC BLAMED

Court Ends Million-Dollar Suit Over

Halifax Disaster. HALIFAX, N. S., April 2 .- The trial dmiralty court between the owners of ers of the Imo, each claiming \$2,000.000 against the other, was completed yes-

against the other, was completed yesterday.

Without leaving the bench Justice
Drysdale gave his decision that the
Mont Blanc was to blame for the explosion here last winter, and he said he
would file a memorandum accordingly.

The damages will be assessed in the
regular way against the owners of the
Mont Blanc.

Ambansador Fage will give an official
dimners in honor of the Secretary, who
will leave Rome Tuesday night for

PARIS AGAIN IS SHELLED BY LONG-RANGE CANNON

PARIS, April 2.—The eighth long-range bombardment of Paris began at 10:10 o'clock today, when a projectile exploded in the Government Officials and region of the city.

COMMITTEE REPORTS TO HOUSE ON 3 D. C. BILLS

farm and the other for burial of the tion depot and Langley aviation field in

"Since I have been in Washington" he said. "I have felt the touching of those mystic chords binding this country with the old world nation, into whose long and ancient history the world's birth is merged, and to which it still is bound by ties of race and speech.

"More and more this Capital city must have a place in molding the mind, speech and tone of the whole republic. Rights of the states are secure and no one would interfere with them. But one cannot look into the future without realizing more and more the circumstances that will bring these states together in a common will and purpose, with this great capital as the rt on his own bill, which would per- declined to comment on their contem-

east between L and M streets to the buildings occupied by the field medical supply depot of the Army. awaiting instructions from Washington

DAMAGED GAS MASKS

Charges that German spies are interfering with the manufacture of rub-ber gas masks in this country intended use in France were made in the Senate today by Senator Thomas, who pleted and were ready for shipment the defective ones had been discarde a number were later found packed with those which had passed inspection, he

Senator Thomas declared the masks had been damaged by small perforations in the rubber and asserted the work was done by persons in the facand voting against socialism to put tory. He said this is only a sample of Milwaukee right in the eyes of the the work that is being done by German agents in this country. This information, he said, was conveyed to him in two letters he has received from per-

masks are being made. Senator Thomas declared that this country now faces a serious situation The German drive, he declared, has not ended, but has been temporarily stopped while Germany is waiting for its "sec

while Germany is waiting for its "second wind." Now is the time, he said, when all the energy possible should be used in support of our army in France and of our allies.

Declaring that union labor is responsible for the Kansas City labor trouble, Senator Reed said it will be "a very dark day for organized labor" if it interferes with war industry.

Denouncing the I. W. W. Senator Pomerene said 70 per cent of those in Montana are illiterate and only 10 per Montana are illiterate and only 10 per cent native born and are a "fertile field" for professional agitators.

SECRETARY BAKER WILL ARRIVE IN ROME TODAY

Now on Way From Italian Front. Will Attend a Wedding at Embassy.

ROME, Monday, April 1.-Newton D. Baker, the American Secretary of War, is expected here tomorrow from the Italian front. He will be accompa The Secretary will attend the wedding of Miss Augusta Grover of Princeton

Be Brigaded With British Brigading U. S. Army Units

DECISION THRILLS ALLIES

LONDON, April &-An official anvisited London a few days ago, and the rime minister, Mr. Balfour and Lord which Gen. Pershing and Gen. Bliss

hers of American battalions to Europe during the coming critical months, but annot be used in divisions of their

Part of Seasoned Divisions.

"By this means troops which are not et sufficiently trained to fight as diof seasoned divisions, until such time as they have completed their training, and Gen. Pershing wishes to withdraw them in order to build up the American

action of the 4,000 carpenters and metal

America, and nowhere is the absolute need for defeating imperial Germany more distinctly realized."

ASKS U.S. TO EXTEND WAR

Senator King Wants Declaration Against Bulgaria and

Labor Leaders May Reach

Satisfactory Agreement.

officials in charge of Army and Navy construction work in the Hampton

Gitchell, representing the War Depart-

Officials of the local draft boards ar

the classification of strikers subject t

draft. They explain that a majority of

states and others in class A are sub-

Local labor leaders are unanimous

driver engineers and claim that

denouncing the walkout of carpenters.

electricians, plumbers and the pile

The special mediation board recently

appointed to adjust labor difficulties af-

folk today to assist in a settlement of

the strike, involving 5,000 carpenters

ject to call whenever needed.

strike was not authorized.

the strikers have been given deferred classification by boards in their home

garia and Turkey was introduced in the Senate today by Senator King of relations committee.

The resolution recites that the United States is now at war with Germany and Austria, and that Turkey and Bulgaria are the allies of our enemies.

STEAMER CARLISLE CASTLE REPORTED SUNK BY U-BOAT

ROSTON. April 2.—Sinking of the British steamer Carlisle Castle, presumably by a German submarine while on a voyage from this country for a foreign port, was reported in shipping circles here today. Boston exporters had been advised of the loss of the Hague. The note of pictest is similar vessel, but had no information regarding the fate of the crew. The ship was under charter to the Cunard line and carried war supplies.

CLEMENCEAU'S AUTO HIT BY SHELL AT THE FRONT

Partly Trained Regiments to and French.

nas agreed to such of its regiments as own being brigaded with French and

them in order to build up the American Army.

"Arrangements for the transportation of these additional forces are now being completed.

"Throughout these discussions President Wilson has shown the greatest anxiety to do everything possible to assist the allies, and has left nothing undone which could contribute thereto.

"This decision, however, of vital importance, as it will be, to the maintenance of the allied strength in the next few months, will in no way diminish the need for those further measures for raising fresh troops at home, to which reference already has been made. It is announced at once because the prime minister feels that the singleness of purpose with which the United States have made this immediate and, indeed, indispensable contribution toward the triumph of the allied cause, should be clearly recognized by the British people."

News Cheered by Troops.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, April 1.—Definite official anouncement that American troops wil actually fight side by side with the French and British in northern France reached the American troops tonight in Paris newspapers. It was greated with cheering. The men who will go are envied by the rest of the American

envied by the rest of the American forces.

As they passed by on the roads they were speeded on their way with cries such as: "Eat 'em up!" and "Gee, you fellows are in luck!" Orders to proceed toward the plains of Picardy were received from the French high command three days ago, but until it was officially announced no mention could be made of it.

Taking Over of Ships Is Topic of Complaint Made to State Department by Minister.

Formal protest against the taking the State Department today by the Netherlands minister, August Philips. to that recently published in the Official Gazette.

EARLY MORNING AIR RAID ON PARIS IS BEATEN OFF

was sounded at 3:15 o'clock this morn-ing. Anti-aircraft guns began to fire immediately and a continuous curtain of fire was placed around the capital. At 4:25 it was announced that all dan-

AID IN GOOD CAUSE

TWO CENTS

With British and French, So Interpreted Here.

ALL MEN IN TRAINING MAY BE RUSHED OVER

Composite Battalions Inevitable and Necessary-Full Capacity of British Troopship Will Be Used.

American Army units are to be brigaded with British and French organization was interpreted by Army officers here today as indicating that the United States government is ready to thrust aside all question of national pride is placing American man power at the in nediate disposal of the allies. The plan was decided on at confe

nces between Secretary Baker and Gens. Bliss and Pershing and British and French officials. So far as known, the War Department had not been off cially informed of it today. Regardless of Proficiency.

For Composite Battalio

In the War for Victory.

"It proves," says the Daily Express, "that America is in the war for victory and it is additional evidence of President Wilson's idealistic statesmanship." "The spirit in which this measure has been taken by America," declares the Morning Post, "deserves, as it will receive, the fullest recognition, both in France and this country, and that it will have its weight in Germany too, we cannot doubt."

The Times says: "It seals the bond of brotherhood which unites the European allies with the United States in the common cause of civilization. ""

This distribution of a portion of its only temporary and implies a spirit of chivalrous sacrifice in the face of staring necessity. It is no mere paper decision, because American units already are mingling with our armies in the battle line, and we are confident that the experiment will produce the happlest news the surprise of the posterior of the surprise of the s

Senate Judiciary for Imprisonment

of Twenty Years and Fine of \$10,000.

In reporting a bill for drastic exte sion of penalties against disloyal acts. the Senate judiciary committee today adopted an amendment Pointexter of Washington prescribing imprisonment or twenty years and \$10,000 fine for "whoever shall by word or act support or favor the cause of The committee approved the same

Criticism of President in Abusive Manner Is Aimed at in Resolution

A joint resolution which would make sive or violent manner sufficient cau rnment was introduced in the Senate today by Senator Jones of New Mexico. "Any employe or official of the Unite

"Any employe or omcial of the United States government who commits and disloyal act, or utters any unpatriol disloyal or seditious language, or with an abusive and violent manner; or cless the commander-in-chief of the Army and Navy, or the flag of United States, shall be at once dismissed from the service."

The resolution was referred to the The resolution was referred

Stop Soliciting Business in Ca ously by the German artillery. All the windows were broken, but M. Clement ceautwas not hurt.

The premier returned to Paris enthusiastic and full of confidence in the favorable issue of the present great battle.

At 4:25 it was announced that all danness by American railways in Carment of the night was calm and the moon gleamed fitfully through the light and fleecy clouds, amid which glided the twinkling lights of the French air planes defending Paris.

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